



December 2015

LIGHT UP MONTVERDE

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The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on Saturday December 5th at 6.00pm in the parking lot in front of Town Hall. Special live Holiday performances will take place plus appearances from Santa Claus and Sparky the Fire Dog. Immediately following the Tree Lighting we will move to Kirk Park for our Christmas Movie along with the bonfire and free s'mores and cocoa. Just bring your lawn chair or blanket and get into the spirit of the season.

COUNCIL POSITION

The Town is required to fill the Council position vacated by Joe Wynkoop which will be for the remainder of the term ending November 8, 2016. Applicants must be a US citizen and have been a resident of the Town for a period exceeding six months. Please submit a letter requesting consideration along with a short bio to the Mayor at Town Hall. Applications must be received by 12 noon on December 24, 2015. The position will be elected by Council at the Council meeting on January 12, 2016.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

There are opportunities to serve your Town in 2016 on various Boards and Committees. If you are interested in volunteering your time then please pick up an application form from Town Hall. A brief overview of the role that each Board and Committee plays is shown below.

Planning and Zoning Board—Review of Zoning Changes, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Site Plans, Conditional use permits and Variance's and making recommendation to Council.

Code Enforcement Board - Enforcement of Violations of the Town's Code of Ordinances.

Cemetery Board - Advisory to the Council on issues of Rules, Regulations and Management of Cemetery.
(Board members must reside within the limits of the Town)

Parks and Recreation Committee - Includes organization of Montverde Day and other Town events.

Visioning Committee - To continue Montverde's Vision of History, Traditional Values, Safety, Community and Environmental health to ensure the quality of life that we wish to enjoy.

Library Committee - To assist the Librarian and staff with Special Events and Projects.

Public Safety Committee - To look at ways to improve the safety and security of the Town's Residents.

Historical Committee - To Research and Document the History of Montverde for Future Generations.
(Voting members of any committee must reside within the Town's 180-degree utility services district)

A board member may also serve on a committee and committee members may serve on two committees.

FRIENDS OF MONTVERDE

The Friends of Montverde monthly Bingo Game will take place on Friday December 11, 2015 at 7 pm and the monthly meeting on Tuesday December 15, 2015 at 6:00 pm when Christmas Dinner will be served. Both meetings take place in the Kirk Park Community Building. Everyone is Welcome.

US MARINE CORPS RESERVE - TOYS FOR TOTS



The Town of Montverde is proud to be a collection site again this year. If you would like to donate a new unwrapped toy to Toys for Tots this year, there is a drop box at Town Hall. If Town Hall is closed then please feel free to drop your gift off at the Montverde Library. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS IN MONTVERDE

- The Annual Fire Department Santa Run will happen on Saturday, December 19 at 9:00am. During this time, the Fire Department will ride through the streets of Montverde, where Santa Claus and Sparky the Fire Dog will pass out Candy Canes to the children. Santa will also be visiting the library from 12 pm until 2: pm where you will be able to take photographs.
- A Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will take place at First Baptist Church, Montverde at 6:00pm.
- A caroling party will be meeting at First Baptist Church Montverde on Sunday December 13, 2015 at 6 pm from where they will be visiting different areas of the town to sing your favorite Christmas Carols and Songs. Everyone is welcome to join in.
- The Living Nativity will take place at the Woodlands Lutheran Church, Montverde on Wednesday 9th, Friday 11th and Saturday 12th December with Continuous Walking Tours beginning at 6:30 pm. Donations of non-perishable food to benefit neighbors in need this Christmas are welcome.

MONTVERDE DAY

This year's Montverde Day Festival was another great success and enjoyed by everyone that attended. A special thanks go to our sponsors, Arellano Realty & Investments, The Law Firm of Pamela J. Helton, Quick Response Fire Protection, Perception Sun & Sport Eyewear, South Lake Chamber, Duncan's AC, Bella Collina and Kimley Horn for their support. Also to the many Montverde Day Partners, Volunteers and all who donated prizes to the raffle making this Montverde Day Festival such a success.



LIBRARY NEWS

Season's greetings from the Montverde Library! It's time to get into the holiday spirit by decking the halls. We will be lighting up inside and out to join the town in the annual Light up Montverde on December 5th. In addition we will be having our own celebration here at the library, December 19th from 12 pm-2 pm. Take pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, pet live reindeer and have a cookie or two with the Snow Sisters. We hope to see you there! The 4H club is putting up an Angel Tree to give toys to needy kids for Christmas. Stop by the library to pick an angel or drop off a toy. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be on December 8, 2015 at 7pm. Key issues for discussion are:

- Rezoning Application from Arellano Realty and Investments and Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment.
- Election and swearing in of the new Council Member and the selection of new Board and Committee Members for 2016.

All residents are encouraged to attend the Council meeting; public comment is permitted at the beginning of every meeting.

OTHER TOWN NEWS AND INFORMATON

A longtime Montverde resident will pick up discarded Christmas trees to create mulch for the Town. He is asking that residents please put their discarded Christmas tree by the road the night before garbage collection, and he will collect them.

Mayor Joe Wynkoop and Town Hall staff wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and Happy and Prosperous New Year!